

## FORMER RICHMONDER CONVICTED IN ST. LOUIS

Contractor and Promoter Sentenced to Penitentiary on Embezzlement Charge.

### FACES ANOTHER INDICTMENT

Girl in White Slave Case Sheltered by Newsome's Wife Until She Became Desperate—Once Lived on Church Hill.

Ward D. Newsome, one-time resident of this city, is in a peck of trouble out West, according to advice from St. Louis. In addition to a sentence in the penitentiary for embezzlement, he is under a Federal indictment for alleged violation of the white slave act. At the same time his wife and family and the other woman are in destitute circumstances.

Newsome, his wife and seven children lived here several years ago. He was then a general contractor. In St. Louis he is described as an architect, promoter and "high-flyer." His first trouble originated out of his connection with a promotion scheme and he this week entered a plea of guilty to a charge of converting to his own use a check for \$2,400 given by a construction company to guarantee its bid on the building of a market house. Two similar charges, involving nearly \$500, were dismissed on his plea of guilty on the chief charge.

### INDICTED ON CHARGE OF VIOLATING MANN ACT

While Newsome was engaged in his promotion scheme, he is alleged to have been accompanied by Edna M. Fisher. She traveled with Newsome, and was at the same time his partner in the building of a "trial marriage." Since the arrest of Newsome, Miss Fisher has been taken into the home of Mrs. Newsome, but the latter is no longer able to shelter her, as she is in destitute circumstances. Richard Newsome, twenty years old, the oldest child, is endeavoring to find work in order to provide for his mother and younger brothers and sisters.

Newsome has been in jail awaiting transportation to the penitentiary to begin his sentence. Two weeks ago a Federal grand jury returned a secret indictment against him for alleged violation of the Mann act. After finishing his term, this charge will face Newsome.

None of the residents of the neighborhood in which Newsome formerly lived remembered him, and most of them have moved into it since he left. As far as can be learned, the local police do not know of him, and the Federal authorities here have heard nothing concerning the case.

### HANDCUFF KING WANTED BY CHARLOTTE POLICE

Man Who Would Exhibit Here Said to Have Taken Handcuffs From Charlotte Chief.

"Hold the scoundrel and I will send a man for him" was the import of a telegram received at Police Headquarters yesterday afternoon from Chief of Police R. H. Moore, of Charlotte, N. C., in reply to a communication sent by Chief Werner telling the North Carolinian that The Great Williams, alias Jack Williams, the handcuff king, and the man who it is alleged had the audacity to steal two pairs of handcuffs from Chief Moore and a deputy, had been arrested by the local authorities.

Some weeks ago Major Werner received a letter from Chief Moore telling of the theft and describing Williams. The local police were requested to arrest the man should he appear here. Early yesterday morning a man walked into Police Headquarters and was directed to the chief's office. He explained that he wished a permit to exhibit here, and that he was the foremost exponent of the art of escaping from handcuffs now appearing before the public.

He was given the "once over" in the words of Detective-Sergeant Bailey, and was recognized as the man who is said to have rescued the Charlotte Chief of Police. "I think we want you," remarked Major Werner. Williams was informed of the charge against him, when he asked its nature, and then vouchsafed the information that there was some mistake. Chief Moore's letter was produced and Detective Bailey summoned to take the man to the Station House.

"Hello, Jack," the detective remarked as he entered the room. "What'd you do with those cuffs you got from Chief Moore?" "Left them with a friend in Baltimore," Williams explained. "You did?" "Yes, on them." "What did he give you on them?" "Fifty cents," came back the reply before Williams was able to check himself.

### VIOLATED HIS PAROLE

Daniel Mix, Arrested at City Point, Will Go Back to Fort Leavenworth.

United States Marshal John G. Saunders yesterday succeeded in landing a man wanted at the Federal prison at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., and will take him there this week. The man, Daniel Mix, was arrested at the Dupont works near City Point, and was brought here yesterday afternoon by Deputy-Marshal Harrison and taken to the Henrico County Jail for safe keeping.

Mix, who is a native of Utah, N. Y., several years ago joined the army and was tried by court-martial for burglary. He was sentenced to five years in the government penitentiary. After serving two years he was released on parole. He is now charged for violating that parole. After being arrested he admitted his identity.

### WATKINS'S CASE CONTINUED

Young Man Says He Shot Sweetheart Because She Would Not Marry Him.

Traces of confinement and worry were visible on the face of John Watkins, nineteen years old, when he was arraigned in the Police Court yesterday on a charge of murdering his seventeen-year-old sweetheart, Hester Dobson, in her home, 2320 N. Street, on the night of February 5. The young man's hearing has changed considerably since the night of the shooting, and he now shows signs of the days spent in the solitude of his jail cell.

His attorney, Harry M. Smith, Jr., requested that Justice Griggs grant a continuance of the case until March 4, and this was granted, it being decided to hold the preliminary hearing on that date. Watkins claims to have shot Miss Dobson because she refused to marry him. There were no witnesses of the murder and no one heard the young people quarreling prior to the time the shot was fired.

### Woman Charged With Stealing

Policeman Tucker last night arrested Lizzie Griegs, colored, on a warrant charging her with stealing \$200 from W. E. Jones. The woman will be arraigned in the Police Court tomorrow.

### NEWPORT NEWS WINS

For Third Consecutive Year Its Representative Carries Off Declamation Medal.

For the third consecutive time a representative of the Newport News High School is the winner of the medal offered by Richmond College in the annual declamation contest for schools and academies of the State. The third annual contest was held last night in the college auditorium at Westhampton, and Malcolm Brown was declared the winner out of a field of eleven contestants. His subject was "The War."

There was a large crowd present when the oratorical contest started, and the outflow of eloquence was highly enjoyed. During the intermissions music was rendered by the Richmond College Glee Club.

Judges were Dr. William S. Gordon, W. G. Stanford and Rev. W. J. Morris. D. D. A gold medal was presented to the winner.

The speakers and subjects follow:

Thurman Tinsley, Botetourt High School.

C. F. Tabler, Fork Union Military Academy. Subject: "Education in the South."

Alfred Early, Staunton High School. Subject: "America's Duty to Resist."

Lee Ford, John Marshall High School. Subject: "Kling Henry of Navarre."

Emory Trainham, Richmond Academy. Subject: "Vesuvius and the Egyptian."

Collins Denny, Jr., The Chamberlayne School. Subject: "Lord Mansfield's Speech at the Trial of John Wilkes."

Crescen Owens, Blackstone Academy. Subject: "Patrick Henry's Speech Before the House of Burgesses."

Noah Tucker, Hampton High School. Subject: "Bladen, Alexandria High School. Subject: "The Destiny of the Anglo-Saxon."

Malcolm Brown, Newport News High School.

E. B. Barksdale, Jr., Chatham Training School.

### RECITAL FOR STUDENTS

Celebrated Artist Will Give Free Concert in City Auditorium on March 3.

John Powell, celebrated entertainer, will give a recital for the benefit of students in the public schools of Richmond in the City Auditorium at 2:45 o'clock, Wednesday afternoon, March 3. Invitations will be distributed in the schools. Because of the large number of students and the comparatively small seating capacity of the auditorium, invitations will be given only to pupils who are especially interested in music.

The concert will be absolutely free, the artist having tendered his services for the afternoon. Dr. J. A. C. Chandler, superintendent of schools, said yesterday that both the school officers and school children are greatly indebted to the great pianist for his kindness in agreeing to give the free concert.

### Ricks Case Is Dropped

The case against Alberta Ricks, the negro arrested by order of Judge Richardson on a charge of operating a disorderly house in the former segregated district, was dismissed in Police Court yesterday. Justice Griggs found that she had been arrested before the district was closed and saw no reason for prosecuting her for an offense committed under the conditions which formerly existed in that section of Richmond.

### Missing From His Home

Richmond police were yesterday requested to make an effort to locate W. A. Turner of Fredericksburg, who has been missing from his home since November 8. The man is a carpenter, sixty years old, five feet seven inches in height, weighs about 148 pounds and is of light complexion.

### FIND STOLEN GOODS

Ex-convict Arrested on Charge of Being Suspicious Character.

Walter Jenkins, colored, an ex-convict, was arrested by Detective Kellam and Bertucci early last night on a charge of cutting John Randall with a razor. When the officers searched the man's home they found several hams, a fifty-pound can of lard and a considerable amount of butterine, all of which is thought to have been stolen from some wholesale house. A charge of being a suspicious character, suspected of being a burglar and charged against the man. A number of persons called at the First Station last night in an attempt to identify the hams and other articles. Jenkins served a term in the penitentiary for house-breaking. He is said to have sold the hams and lard to a woman on Seventeenth Street for \$4, and was arrested by the detectives while in the act of delivering the lard.

### Boy Held on Murder Charge

Leslie Drew, the eighteen-year-old negro boy who shot and instantly killed Virgie Muscoe, colored, in the Colored Detention House Friday night when he shot at William Sharpy superintendent, in an effort to make his escape from the institution, was yesterday ordered held for a preliminary examination in the Juvenile Court. The hearing will take place after Coroner Taylor conducts his inquest over the body.

### Shelton Sent to Grand Jury

E. P. Shelton, charged with forging the name of A. V. Shelton & Co. to a note for \$200, was yesterday sent on to the grand jury by Justice Griggs. Detective-Sergeants Willy and Kellam arrested him.

### Painters Injured by Fall

Two painters experienced a narrow escape at 704-706 East Clay Street yesterday when a scaffolding over which they were working fell and hurled them to the ground, some ten feet below. R. W. Creekman suffered a broken ankle and was taken to Virginia Hospital, while J. H. Betts suffered sprains and bruises. He was taken home, 707 East Clay Street, where both men live.

### Condition Is Critical

Mrs. Emma Warren Haywood is critically ill at her home, 508 East Clay Street.

### MIDDIES HAVE A BIG DAY IN ATHLETICS

Win Over Johns Hopkins, Yale and Penn State in Swimming, Fencing and Basketball.

ANNAPOLIS, MD., February 20.—Three straight athletic victories were hung up by the Annapolis Middies today over Johns Hopkins, Yale and Penn State. The victories were in basketball, swimming and fencing. The Middie had the time of their life getting rid of Penn State in the basketball game, finally winning by the narrow margin of 33 to 24. The passing of the visitors was the best seen here this season, and during the early part of the game had the cadets bewildered.

The fencing match with Yale wound up in a whirlwind finish after a start that was extremely tame. Navy won the first three bouts almost without an effort. Then, when one of the Yale fencers, started a rally by defeating Cadet Partello after two ties. Following this the Yale team took four straight bouts. Then Navy rallied and captured the next two, winning the match by one bout.

The swimming match against Johns Hopkins was a runaway. Third place was the best the Baltimoreans got in any event, and the Middies won the meet by the overwhelming score of 26 to 6.

### EVERYTHING QUIET IN LOCAL BASEBALL

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Thursday for the first time. He took the boys for a five-mile jog over the hills that lie close to the town. In the afternoon, Kelly put the players through another stiff workout at the ball park, and sent home a bunch of tired and hungry athletes.

Ray Keuthe, who came down here weighing 216 and had the appearance of a prosperous corner grocer, has adopted heroic measures to get into shape, and already has taken off eight pounds. He was hunched up in shirts and sweaters until he could scarcely get down to the ground for a low ball. Kelly took no pity on him, and made him run all the way back to the hotel. Keuthe has taken to training with sincerity, and declares he will be in good condition when the season starts.

The Yankees have changed training quarters, and from now on will use Majestic field, which is owned by the Boston Red Sox. The Sox do not arrive here until March 5, and the Yankees will be ready to leave by that time.

### URIC ACID SOLVENT

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50 Cent Bottle (32 Doses) FREE

Just because you start the day worried and fretting over your rheumatism, aching head, burning and aching muscles, pains in the back—worn out before the day begins, do not think you have to stay in that condition.

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